NAVAL SUPPORT ACTIVITY NORFOLK SPONSORED NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH CELEBRATION NOVEMBER 12, 2003



"STRENGTHENING THE SPIRIT ... "

GUEST SPEAKER: RABIAH YAZZIE SEMINOLE

LOCATION: NAVSUPPACT MIA/POW CHAPEL

TIME: 1100 - 1300

POC: LT SONCRANT

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RABIAH YAZZIE SEMINOLE BIOGRAPHY



Rabiah Yazzie Seminole is Cherokee Indian. She resides in Chesapeake, Virginia with her family of horses and dogs. She has three horses, two of which are adopted, elderly horses that will spend their remaining days on her farm. She believes that old ones have as much to give as the young ones in all forms of life. Seminole owns and operates Na-va'-kee American Indian Trading Post in Virginia Beach, Virginia. She earned her Masters Degree in Native Studies at SUNY Buffalo and worked on her Undergraduate Degree in Fine Art at Norfolk State University. Biah is a teacher, accomplished artist and writer for Environmental and American Indian issues. She is an active member of AIM and heavily involved the American Indian community.

SEMINOLE BIOGRAPHY CONTINUE



Her Art and Activist/Environmentalists works have been published in National, Regional and International publications. Seminole is a member of the Women Traditional Buckskin Dancers and participates in many American Indian Festivals, Gatherings, and Pow-Wows throughout the United States. She loves sharing American Indians stories with children and adults and working with the elderly. Some of her hobbies includes horseback riding, hiking, walking her three dogs and wing-walking on biplanes.

ORDER OF CELEBRATION



Welcome Remark	Captain Jeanne McDonnell
Invocation	. Chaplin John G. Anderson
Key Note Speaker	. Rabiah Yazzie Seminole
Buckskin Dance	Rabiah Yazzie Seminole
Closing Remarks	Captain Jeanne McDonnell
Benediction	Chaplin John G. Anderson

Humankind has not woven the web of life.

We are but one thread within it.

Whatever we do to the web, we do to ourselves.

All things are bound together,

All things connect.

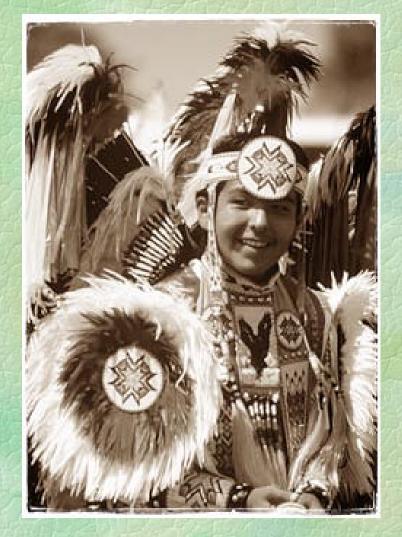
Seattle, Squamish Chief 1786-1866

NAVAJO CODE TALKERS

By Cpl. Cullen James, USA



America's World War II islandhopping campaign in the Pacific was about to start in 1942, and the U.S. military still didn't have something it desperately needed -- a communications code the Japanese couldn't break. The Marines have acknowledged they would never have taken Iwo Jima and other places were it not for the code talkers.



"The earth is the mother of all people, and all people should have equal rights upon it. You might as well expect the river to run backward as that any man who was born a free man should be contented when denied liberty to go where he pleases."

Chief Joseph, Nez Perce

Native Americans on Active Duty as of March 2002

ARMY:	3917
NAVY:	7578
AIR FORCE:	1755
MARINES:	1592
COAST GUARD:	705

Native Americans

Their contributions to the American society have been numerous. Think where we would have been in some of our wars without them!!

WE TRULY ARE ALL RELATED